

# CROSS EXAMINATION

Messing with people who need to be  
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## COMMON KNOWLEDGE FOR CROSS EXAMINATION

- Defense attorneys are good at cross due to all the practice they get
- A good cross will only collect evidence/points that you can use during your closing argument
- Never ask an open ended question on cross
- A good cross examination will lead them down the primrose path
- A good cross is a death by a thousand cuts
- A good cross will bounce around, get the witness off balance so they can not keep all their lies straight.
- Never ask a question that you don't know the answer to
- Prosecutors are not good at cross because they don't get enough practice

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### COMMON KNOWLEDGE FOR CROSS EXAMINATION

- Defense attorneys are good at cross due to all the practice they get
  - **only seem good because they act unrestrained by truth.... Which you need to meet head on.**
- A good cross will collect your need evidence/points that you can use during your closing argument
  - **a good cross can collect points for closing, but your closing argument is not the trial.**
- A good cross examination will lead them down the primrose path & a good cross is a death by a thousand cuts.
  - **never worked for me. Anyone Columbo in here?**
- A good cross will bounce around, get the witness off balance so they can not keep all their lies straight.
  - **if the witness is completely confused... then so is the jury.**
- Only ask leading questions & never ask a question you don't know the answer to
  - **Its OK to ask these questions as long we're seeking truth... and if the question is asked in a way that can only advance our case or expose liars.**
  - **These questions can lead to the kidnap of a defense witness**
- Prosecutors are not good at cross because they don't get enough practice

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- You've been trained by lawyers & have acted accordingly.
- We are the ones truly interested in drawing out the truth or exposing liars
- We have no need to manipulate the juries but have every righteous reason to expose manipulation
- By definition




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### WHY IS CROSS EXAM UNIQUE FOR PROSECUTORS?

- We want & actually care about the truth.
  - Other divisions in the legal field are doing whatever they can to limit evidence and only leave evidence that manipulates the jury.
  - Its perfectly fine if a witness destroys (legitimately) our case.
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